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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 10001-29977  
First Inventor Kenneth R. Schroll  
Title Optical Fiber U-Turn Apparatus and Method  
Express Mail Label No. EH655097420US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 16]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 2]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)  
Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
- b. ☐ (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
- ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement of Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.:

Prior application information:

Examiner:

Group Art Unit:

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| Application Number   | Unknown            |
| Filing Date          | February 26, 2002  |
| First Named Inventor | Kenneth R. Schroll |
| Examiner Name        | Unknown            |
| Group Art Unit       | Unknown            |
| Attorney Docket No.  | 10001-29977        |

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

| Large Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description        | Fee Paid       |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 101 740                       | 201 370                       | Utility filing fee     | \$ 740.        |
| 106 330                       | 206 165                       | Design filing fee      | \$             |
| 107 510                       | 207 255                       | Plant filing fee       | \$             |
| 108 740                       | 208 370                       | Reissue filing fee     | \$             |
| 114 160                       | 214 80                        | Provisional filing fee | \$             |
| <b>SUBTOTAL</b>               |                               |                        | <b>\$ 740.</b> |

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

| Total Claims       | Extra Claims | Fee From Below | FEE PAID |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| 18 - 20** =        | x            |                | =        |
| Independent Claims | 7 - 3** = 4  | x 84           | = 336    |
| Multiple Dependent |              |                | =        |

| Large Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description   | Fee Paid      |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---------------|
| 103 18                        | 203 9                         | Claims in excess of 20                                    |               |
| 102 84                        | 202 42                        | Independent claims in excess of 3                         |               |
| 104 280                       | 204 140                       | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                     |               |
| 109 84                        | 209 42                        | **Reissue independent claims over original patent         |               |
| 110 18                        | 210 9                         | **Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |               |
| <b>SUBTOTAL</b>               |                               |   | <b>\$ 336</b> |

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**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

| Large Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity<br>Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------|
| 105 130                       | 205 65                        | Surcharge-late filing fee or oath                                  | \$       |
| 127 50                        | 227 25                        | Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet               | \$       |
| 139 130                       | 139 130                       | Non-English specification  | \$       |
| 147 2,520                     | 147 2,520                     | For filing request for ex parte reexamination                      | \$       |
| 112 920*                      | 112 920*                      | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action             | \$       |
| 113 1,840*                    | 113 1,840*                    | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                | \$       |
| 115 110                       | 215 55                        | Extension for reply within 1 <sup>st</sup> month                   | \$       |
| 116 400                       | 216 200                       | Extension for reply within 2 <sup>nd</sup> month                   | \$       |
| 117 920                       | 217 460                       | Extension for reply within 3 <sup>rd</sup> month                   | \$       |
| 118 1,440                     | 218 720                       | Extension for reply within 4 <sup>th</sup> month                   | \$       |
| 128 1,960                     | 228 980                       | Extension for reply within 5 <sup>th</sup> month                   | \$       |
| 119 320                       | 219 160                       | Notice of Appeal   | \$       |
| 120 320                       | 220 160                       | Filing a brief in support of appeal                                | \$       |
| 121 280                       | 221 140                       | Request for oral hearing   | \$       |
| 138 1,510                     | 138 1,510                     | Petition to institute public use proceeding                        | \$       |
| 140 110                       | 240 55                        | Petition to revive - unavoidable                                   | \$       |
| 141 1,280                     | 241 640                       | Petition to revive - unintentional                                 | \$       |
| 142 1,280                     | 242 640                       | Utility issue fee (or reissue)                                     | \$       |
| 143 460                       | 243 230                       | Design issue fee   | \$       |
| 144 620                       | 244 310                       | Plant issue fee  | \$       |
| 122 130                       | 122 130                       | Petitions to the Commissioner                                      | \$       |
| 123 50                        | 123 50                        | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)                                | \$       |
| 126 180                       | 126 180                       | Submission of Information Disclosure Statement                     | \$       |
| 581 40                        | 581 40                        | Recording each patent assignment per property (times # properties) | \$       |
| 146 740                       | 246 370                       | Filing submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))        | \$       |
| 149 740                       | 249 370                       | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))   | \$       |
| 179 740                       | 279 370                       | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                            | \$       |
| 169 900                       | 169 900                       | Request for expedited examination of a design application          | \$       |

Other fee (specify)


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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor **Kenneth R. Schroll**

Title **Optical Fiber U-Turn Apparatus  
and Method**

Atty Docket Number **10001-29977**

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

February 26, 2002

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